WHEREAS, South Dakota experiences many different types of disaster, which destroy life, livestock and property; and,

WHEREAS, These phenomena will continue, government officials with responsibility for public safety must continue to promote and support civil preparedness; and,

WHEREAS, Civil preparedness is an essential element of our national defense, and preparedness against peacetime disaster underlies the capability to protect people against the effects of a nuclear attacks and,

WHEREAS, In South Dakota, state and local civil preparedness organizations provide for natural and nuclear preparedness; and,

WHEREAS, The South Dakota Civil Preparedness Association has promoted, and continues to promote, civil preparedness in South Dakota; and,

WHEREAS, During the month of December, we commemorate the anniversary of Pearl Harbor and its lessons in preparedness, and it would be fitting for public officials of South Dakota to focus attention on the vital emergency functions of government:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week of December 7 to 13, 1975, as

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in the State of South Dakota, during which time I urge all citizens to take note of the role of Civil Preparedness in protecting lives, livestock and property.

> IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this 8th day of December, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Five

RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

LORNA B. HERSETH, SECRETARY OF STATE